

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

LYRIC LEEYN CLINE, SR.,

Plaintiff,

v.

MONTANA ARCEO, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. C24-5309-TL-MLP

**ORDER SETTING PRETRIAL
SCHEDULE**

INTRODUCTION

This case has been referred to the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge. The Court has reviewed the Joint Status Report submitted by the parties (dkt. # 24), and hereby orders the following pretrial schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for joining additional parties	4/22/2025
Deadline for amended pleadings	5/22/2025
Reports of expert witnesses under FRCP 26(a)(2) due	8/20/2025
All motions related to discovery must be filed by this date and noted for consideration no earlier than 21 days from the date of filing	9/4/2025
Rebuttal expert disclosures under FRCP 26(a)(2) due	9/19/2025

1	Discovery to be completed by	10/3/2025
2	All dispositive motions and motions to exclude expert testimony	11/3/2025
3	for failure to satisfy <i>Daubert</i> must be filed pursuant to LCR 7(d)	

4 The dates set forth in this order are firm dates that can be changed only by order of the
5 Court, not by agreement of counsel for the parties. The Court will alter these dates only upon
6 good cause shown. Failure to complete discovery within the time allowed is not recognized as
7 good cause.

8 TRIAL DATE

9 A trial date will be set by the assigned District Judge, the Honorable Tana Lin, if the case
10 has not been resolved by settlement or dispositive motions.

11 MEET AND CONFER REQUIREMENT

12 For all cases, except applications for temporary restraining orders, counsel contemplating
13 the filing of any motion shall first contact opposing counsel to discuss thoroughly, preferably in
14 person, the substance of the contemplated motion and any potential resolution. The Court
15 construes this requirement strictly. Half-hearted attempts at compliance with this rule will not
16 satisfy counsel's obligation.

17 The parties must discuss the substantive grounds for the motion and attempt to reach an
18 accord that would eliminate the need for the motion. The Court strongly emphasizes that
19 discussions of the substance of contemplated motions are to take place, if at all possible, in
20 person. All motions must include a declaration by counsel briefly describing the parties'
21 discussion and attempt to eliminate the need for the motion and the date of such discussion.
22 Filings not in compliance with this rule may be stricken.

COOPERATION

As required by LCR 37(a), all discovery matters are to be resolved by agreement if possible.

SETTLEMENT

If this case settles, Plaintiff's counsel shall notify deputy clerk, Tim Farrell at (206) 370-8422 or via e-mail at: Tim_Farrell@wawd.uscourts.gov, as soon as possible. Pursuant to LCR 11(b), an attorney who fails to give the Deputy Clerk prompt notice of settlement may be subject to such discipline as the Court deems appropriate. The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to all parties of record.

CHAMBERS PROCEDURES

Unless specifically noted otherwise, Judge Peterson follows the Court's Local Rules. Counsel are directed to consult the Local Rules for the Western District of Washington and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on all matters. Counsel are also expected to be familiar with Judge Peterson's Chambers Procedures, which are available on the Court's website.

DATED this 30th day of January, 2025.



MICHELLE L. PETERSON
United States Magistrate Judge